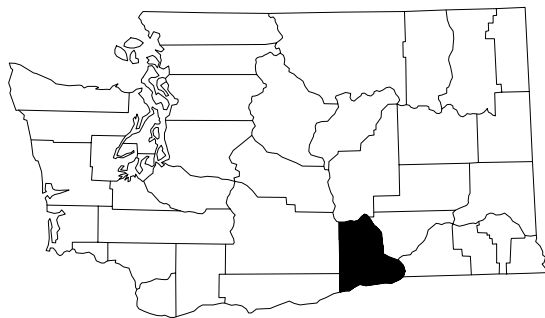


BENTON COUNTY



County Seat - Prosser

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Rank</u>
Population – 2003	151,600	10
Unincorporated	34,965	17
Incorporated	116,635	7
Land Area in Sq. Mi.	1,703.1	22
Density/Sq. Mi.	89.0	9
Assessed Property Value – 2002		
Total \$ <i>In Thousands</i>	\$7,550,298	11
Per Capita \$/Person	\$51,154	30
Personal Income – 2001		
Total \$ <i>In Thousands</i>	\$4,004,349	10
Per Capita \$/Person	\$27,454	9
Taxable Retail Sales – 2002		
Total \$ <i>In Thousands</i>	\$1,916,805	10
Per Capita \$/Person	\$12,986	9

POPULATION AS OF APRIL 1, 2003

<u>Components of Pop. Change</u>		<u>City/Town</u>	<u>Population</u> ^x	<u>City/Town</u>	<u>Population</u> ^x	<u>City/Town</u>	<u>Population</u> ^x
2000 to 2003		Benton City	2,790				
Estimated Births	6,689	Kennewick	57,900				
Estimated Deaths	2,996	Prosser	4,940				
		Richland	41,650				
Natural Increase	3,693	West Richland	9,355				
Net Migration	5,432						
Total Change	9,125						
Marriages in 2002	905						
Per 1,000 Pop.	6.13						
Divorces in 2002	684						
Per 1,000 Pop.	4.63						

APRIL POPULATION BY RACE AND HISPANIC ORIGIN BY OMB 1997 REVISED CATEGORIES

<u>Year</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>White Alone</u>	<u>Black Alone</u>	<u>AIAN Alone</u>	<u>Asian Alone</u>	<u>NHOPI Alone</u>	<u>Other Alone</u>	<u>Two or More Races</u>	<u>Hispanic Origin</u>
2000	142,475	122,879	1,319	1,165	3,134	163	9,986	3,829	17,806

AIAN: American Indian and Alaska Native; NHOPI: Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander. Note: Persons of Hispanic Origin can be of any race.

STATE COLLECTED REVENUES DISTRIBUTED TO COUNTY GOVERNMENTS^x

<u>State Fiscal Year</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2003</u>
Criminal Justice	\$3,142,943.83	\$4,526,313.57	\$4,004,072.92	\$4,394,486.71	\$3,774,854.84
Federal Revenues	95.18	558.01	4,544.83	4,557.93	4,683.64
Forest Excise and Reclassified	--	266.14	--	--	--
Hotel/Motel Tax	--	--	--	--	--
Liquor Excise Tax	32,754.61	34,604.72	36,652.31	38,011.64	40,402.35
Liquor Profits	77,809.36	71,263.91	77,940.19	74,984.32	82,661.39
Local Sales & Use Tax/Interest	4,178,820.99	5,583,960.69	5,805,429.45	7,024,792.58	8,084,399.41
Miscellaneous	1,451,847.62	536,909.29	570,205.19	494,573.19	577,188.13
Motor Vehicle Fund	3,059,473.84	3,135,873.62	3,146,296.58	3,143,587.85	3,179,846.47
Natural Resources Transfers	--	--	--	--	--
PUD Privilege Tax	1,082,258.65	1,068,547.59	1,204,201.92	1,155,345.38	1,421,652.69
Sales and Use Equalization	--	--	--	--	--
Total Revenues Distributed	\$13,026,004.08	\$14,958,297.54	\$14,849,343.39	\$16,330,339.60	\$17,165,688.92

REAL ESTATE EXCISE TAX COLLECTIONS - 1% OF SALES

State Fiscal Year 2001:	\$6,631,532.60	State Fiscal Year 2002:	\$7,838,484.30	State Fiscal Year 2003:	\$8,837,016.63
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COUNTY REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES-CALENDAR YEAR 2002^x

<u>Revenues</u>		<u>Expenditures</u>	
Property Taxes	\$15,290,530	General Govt Services	\$6,663,883
Retail Sales & Use	9,877,213	Security of Persons & Property	21,541,706
All Other Taxes	1,132,701	Utilities	226,262
Licenses & Permits	718,393	Transportation	4,863,433
Intergovernmental Revenues	17,149,172	Health & Human Services	3,603,985
Charges for Services	4,094,180	Natural Resources	4,080,785
Fines & Forfeits	2,837,075	Debt Service	3,095,059
Miscellaneous Revenue	3,299,211	Capital Outlays	29,220,744
Other Financing Resources	--		
Total Revenues	\$54,398,475	Total Expenditures	\$73,295,857

Note: Data may not add due to rounding. ^xSee footnotes on page 254. Footnote symbol meanings differ by section.

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AVERAGE MONTHLY EMPLOYMENT AND TOTAL WAGES IN COVERED EMPLOYMENT-CY 2002

Industry	Employers	Average Number of Employees	Percent of Total	Wages Paid	Percent of Total
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing	380	4,559	6.89	\$77,161,974	3.04
Mining	*	*	*	*	*
Construction	593	3,392	5.13	127,303,796	5.02
Manufacturing	127	4,119	6.22	173,243,128	6.83
Transport, Commun, Utilities	117	8,166	12.34	521,364,368	20.55
Wholesale Trade	*	*	*	*	*
Retail Trade	698	11,632	17.58	200,423,693	7.90
Finance, Ins, Real Estate	287	1,972	2.98	60,935,131	2.40
Services	2,468	20,660	31.22	876,050,264	34.53
Government	113	10,504	15.87	460,983,522	18.17
Other	135	1,170	1.77	39,940,907	1.57
Total	4,918	66,174	100.00	\$2,537,406,783	100.00

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS IN STATE FISCAL YEAR 2003

Program	Total Grants	Persons Served		
		Monthly Average	Percent of County Pop.	County Rank by Percent of Pop.
TANF	\$6,491,834	3,102	2.05	24
Diversion	95,453	25	0.02	22
CEAP	9,083	6	0.00	10
General Assistance	1,056,011	406	0.27	26
Refugee Assistance	34,667	10	0.01	6
Food Stamps	9,054,688	9,692	6.39	27
Medical Assistance	\$77,642,650	24,285	16.02	24

PUBLIC K-12 SCHOOLS

Number of Districts	6	School Apportionment	
		State Fiscal Year 2002	\$162,127,923.96
Average Annual FTE Enrollment 2002-03*	28,285.67	State Fiscal Year 2003	\$167,964,685.87

Major Sources of Operating Revenue For Fiscal Year 2001-02

State	\$151,796,931.94
Federal	15,064,418.28
Local Prop. Tax	26,474,393.28
Other Local	7,955,704.63
Payments from Other Districts	245,265.79
Total	\$201,536,713.92

Direct Expenditures for Instructional Programs For Fiscal Year 2001-02

Basic Education	\$111,971,443.57
Special	18,604,126.21
Vocational	8,045,118.46
Transportation	5,855,248.26
Total Direct Expenditures	\$198,096,563.35

TRANSPORTATION: REGISTRATIONS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2002

Total Licensed Drivers ¹ :	107,824		
Licensed Vehicles:			
Passenger	96,709	Other	33
Trucks	37,730	Exempt	207
Recreational	14,863	Total ¹	166,929
Trailers	17,387	Vanity	1,627

COUNTY POPULATION BY AGE AND SEX--APRIL 1, 2003

Age	Total	Male	Female	Age	Total	Male	Female
0-4	11,210	5,737	5,473	50-54	10,710	5,474	5,236
5-9	11,574	5,844	5,729	55-59	8,612	4,369	4,243
10-14	13,009	6,677	6,332	60-64	6,215	3,104	3,111
15-19	12,340	6,345	5,995	65-69	4,535	2,209	2,326
20-24	9,170	4,569	4,601	70-74	3,764	1,738	2,026
25-29	8,400	4,150	4,250	75-79	3,163	1,333	1,831
30-34	9,727	4,838	4,888	80-84	2,344	875	1,469
35-39	10,702	5,330	5,372	85+	1,830	607	1,223
40-44	12,176	6,067	6,108	Total	151,600	75,396	76,204
45-49	12,121	6,130	5,991	Median Age	35.17	34.52	35.78

¹State level data contains drivers and vehicles not included in county totals as county residence is unknown. Vanity is included in all categories.

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